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## **ARIZONA AGRI-WEEKLY**

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#### Field Crops Report

As of May 20, **Cotton** was reported as 97 percent planted, compared with 95 percent last year and 95 percent for the 5 year average.

**Alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 43 percent not being harvested, 6 percent light, 5 percent moderate, and 46 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 1 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 39 percent excellent.

As of May 20, 56 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 60 percent of **Barley**, 60 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 61 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as mature.

#### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 3 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 38 percent good, and 19 percent excellent. Livestock were reported to be in good condition. Stock Water was reported as adequate. Soil Moisture was reported as adequate. Insect Damage was reported as none to light.

#### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped onions, parsley and potatoes. Eastern Arizona shipped head lettuce. Producers in western Arizona shipped cantaloupes and honeydew.

Citrus shipments in central and western Arizona included grapefruit, lemons and valencias last week.

#### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures throughout the State were well above average for the week ending May 19. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees below normal at Parker to 8 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly, Coolidge, Grand Canyon, and Kingman. The highest temperature of the week was 104 degrees at Coolidge, while the lowest reading was 36 degrees at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 12 out of 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.02 inches at Phoenix to1.13 inches at Payson.

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#### Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

# TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR THE WEEK MAY 13 TO MAY 19, 2001

FOR THE WEEK MAY 13 TO MAY 19, 2001							
	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	60	8	90	49	0.32	2.99	2.96
Casa Grande	76	5	103	61	0.03	5.50	2.70
Coolidge	74	8	104	59	0.08	5.59	3.01
Douglas	68	3	94	48	0.22	1.97	2.03
Flagstaff	50	6	74	36	0.38	7.82	8.71
Gila Bend	79	6	103	64	0.00	3.10	2.16
Grand Canyon	51	8	80	40	0.00	8.57	5.94
Kingman	67	8	92	58	0.00	3.71	3.66
Parker	80	-3	103	65	0.00	1.51	1.77
Payson	61	4	84	44	1.13	9.43	7.73
Phoenix	79	7	102	71	0.02	4.48	2.57
Prescott Airport	59	7	84	49	0.58	4.33	3.43
Safford Ag Center	70	4	98	50	0.49	3.16	2.22
Tucson	74	5	98	61	0.11	3.66	2.77
Willcox	65	6	91	46	0.23	4.66	2.68
Winslow	62	6	88	47	0.58	2.34	1.97
Yuma	79	6	101	67	0.00	2.71	0.96

<sup>1/</sup> Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

<sup>2/</sup> Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.